GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SPACE
LOK SABHA

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Will the Minister of SPACE be pleased to state:

(a) whether movements of Indian troops along the line of control in Kashmir are being closely monitored by US satellites; and

(b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY O PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND MINIS OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND DEPARTMENT OF SPACE (SMT. VASUNDHARA RAJE)

(a)&(b) As per International Conventions, satellites of any country can take imageries of anypart of the world. Satellite imageries can be used for different purposes including, strategic applications and monitoring of certain changes on the ground. Keeping this in view, appropriate measures have been taken by the Government to safeguard the interests of the country.